

...HISTORY OF STARBUCK WASHINGTON

- *Starbuck Washington was formed with the coming of the railroad.*
- *The Starbuck Jail is the oldest building still standing in Starbuck. It was erected before the turn of the century.*
- *August 1881 - The new line of the railroad company reached the big trestle at McKay Hollow.*
- *1882 - Starbuck had grown into a small town with a few business', a railroad warehouse, section house, a depot and a school.*
- *1883- The first Starbuck Post Office was put into commission.*
- *1886 - The first store was built by J.W. McIntosh.*
- *1887 - Fire destroyed the depot, freight warehouse and the McIntosh store and warehouse.*
- *1889- The railroad had a seven-stall roundhouse in Starbuck.*

- *1890- The railroad had built a machine shop, sand house, section house, agent's house, forge, and telegraph office.*
- *1890 - The first hotel was built by McIntosh.*
- *1891 - The store was rebuilt. S.D. Merritt operated the only saloon in town.*
- *1892 - A new school was built.*
- *1893 - W.H. Starbuck of New York City donated the bell to the first church built in Starbuck.*
- *1894 - Starbuck was platted by Mary McIntosh.*
- *1895 - Business' in Starbuck were: a general merchandise store, operated by E.M. Aeils and Co., a grocery store, a cigar and tobacco shop, a drugstore, and a restaurant. There were two hotels, a boot and shoe shop, a tailor shop, blacksmith shop, and a livery stable.*
- *1904 - Starbuck bank was built. It closed during the depression.*
- *1905 - Starbuck is incorporated.*
- *1914 - The High Line Bridge across the Snake River was opened for railroad traffic.*
- *1919 - There had been several business' in Starbuck, those above and a barbershop, a garage, Starbuck Electric Co., Pacific Telephone and Telegraph, Mutt and Jeff store, and The Star Hotel. There was a meat market, Starbuck*

Standard newspaper, a Real Estate Office, a restaurant and a doctors office.

- *1919 - The president of the railroad visited Starbuck.*
- *1920 - The first of two bank robberies happened.*
- *1939 - The Columbia County Grain Growers erected a grain elevator at the north end.*
- *1948 - Starbuck recieves dial telephones.*
- *1950 - The Columbia County Grain Growers built three steel grain bins.*
- *1950 - Census Bureau reports 195 residents in Starbuck.*
- *1951 - The first rural fire district in Columbia County is organized in Starbuck.*
- *1953 - The big Territorial Centennial.*
- *1954 - Television is introduced to the Starbuck area.*
- *1960 through 1970 - Little Goose Dam is built, bringing residents to the town.*
- *1968 - The old Vantage Bridge is opened for travel across the Snake River at the mouth of the Palouse River.*
- *1982 - The last train ran through Starbuck.*
- *1982 - The town centennial.*